GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Road Construction in North Eastern Region
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has identified the need of usage of specialized technology in the construction of roads in the North Eastern Region;

(b) if so, the details of the technology being used currently;

(c) whether the Government has received proposals for improving the condition of the roads in the North Eastern Region, if so, the details of the action taken in this regard; and

(d) whether the Government is considering to invest in technology projects via public private partnership projects, if so, the details of the same, along with the estimated cost likely to be incurred?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a)&(b) The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways encourages the usage of innovative technology for the construction of National Highways in the Country including the North Eastern Region (NER). As per the requirement at site, innovative technology like Geocells/geotextiles, cemented subbase and Chemical stabilization of soil are being used for the stabilization of embankment and subgrade.

(c) The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) in the Country. The development and maintenance of NHs is a continuous process and is taken up on the basis of inter-se priority, traffic volume and availability of funds. An expenditure of Rs.14,792 Crore under the Special Accelerated Road Development Programme for North East (SARDP-NE) and Rs.982 Crore under National Highway Original){NH(O)} were made during the last three years and current year for the development of NHs in NER.

(d) No Madam, there is no proposal to invest in technology projects via public private partnership projects.

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